executive. The terms of the members of the commission first appointed shall be as follows: Three members to serve for one year; two members to serve for two years, and two members to serve for three years. Thereafter, the term of service shall be for three years. Each member of the commission shall continue to serve after his term until his successor has been appointed and has qualified.

Section 15-2. Compensation of members.

The members of the commission on [human] community relations shall serve without compensation, but they may be reimbursed for all expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with appropriations made by the county council.

Section 15-3. Officers; meetings; quorum.

The commission on [human] community relations shall annually elect one of its members as chairman and may elect such other officers as it may deem necessary. The commission shall hold public meetings at regular intervals, but not less frequently than once every month. Six members of the commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and a majority of vote of those present at any meeting shall be sufficient for any official action taken by the commission.

Section 15-4. Executive director and other personnel; budget.

The county executive shall appoint **[**a person to serve as an executive director under the commission on human relations. **]** an administrative aide to serve on the staff of the county executive; such appointee shall serve as executive director of the Community Relations Commission, AND SHALL PERFORM SUCH DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS AS MAY FROM TIME TO TIME BE PRESCRIBED BY THE SAID COMMISSION. Other personnel may be authorized by the county executive to assist the commission in carrying out the provisions of this title. In proposing a budget for the operation of the commission, and in selecting other personnel, the county executive shall take into consideration the recommendations of the commission.

Section 15-5. Powers and responsibilities.

- (a) The commission on [human] community relations shall have the authority and responsibility to approach the problem of intergroup relations in a broad and comprehensive manner in the areas of employment, housing, education, public accommodations and in any other field where intergroup relations are in question. The commission shall have the authority to undertake educational programs; to initiate and conduct survey studies and inquiries; to initiate and conduct public hearings; to cooperate with other commissions, agencies, organizations and groups, and to provide for conciliation and mediation services.
- (b) The chairman of the commission may, with the approval of the commission, appoint such committees and advisory committees as may be deemed necessary to aid in carrying out the functions of the commission. The commission shall regularly and periodically, at intervals no less than one time every three months, make reports to the county executive, the county administrative officer and the county council on the status of activity undertaken by the commission and on future planning by the commission. The commission shall, on the basis of its findings and conclusions, make recommendations to the county council, the county executive and the county administrative officer for appropriate action.